



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 2612 PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 8, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are all the claims pending in the application.

I. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner has rejected claim 1, 3, 4, 6 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Pham *et al.* (US 5,300,960) ["Pham"]. For at least the following reasons, Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.